

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ETRD, EEC, GW  
SUBJECT: FRG COMMENTS ON U.S. STEEL COMPLAINT AGAINST  
REBATE OF VAT

REF: STATE 2473

AT THE REQUEST OF FRG ECONOMICS MINISTRY, THE EMBASSY  
IS FORWARDING TO DAVID COHEN, ACTING CHIEF OF THE JUSTICE  
DEPT. CUSTOMS SECTION IN NEW YORK, A WORKING DRAFT OF  
FRG COMMENTS ON THE U.S. STEEL COMPLAINT AGAINST REBATE  
OF VAT. A COPY IS ALSO BEING POUCHED TO CASAGRANDE,  
EUR/CE. ECONMIN OFFICIAL (DR. MESENBERG) EXPLAINED THAT  
THIS IS A DRAFT OF A DOCUMENT WHICH THE FRG WOULD LIKE  
TO PUBLISH TO ASSIST IN DEFENSE AGAINST THE U.S. STEEL  
COMPLAINT. HE ASKED WHETHER ON AN INFORMAL BASIS MR.  
COHEN COULD MAKE ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVING THE  
DRAFT, AS WELL AS GIVE ADVICE ON WHEN AND WHERE THE FRG  
SHOULD PUBLISH THESE OBSERVATIONS IN ORDER FOR THEM TO  
HAVE THE BEST EFFECT.

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## Message Attributes

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